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President Johnson today named four outstanding Federal career officials as winners of the 1964 President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, the highest honor that can be accorded a career employee of the Federal Government.

Award recipients are:

John Doar, First Assistant to the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice

Herbert Friedman, Superintendent, Atmosphere and Astrophysics Division, U. S. Naval Research Laboratory

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick, Jr., Executive Director-Comptroller, Central Intelligence Agency

Bromley K. Smith, Executive Secretary, National Security Council

President Johnson will present the Award, consisting of a gold medal and a citation, to the recipients at a special ceremony to be held in the Flower Garden of the White House in the latter half of June.

The career officials to be honored have made exceptional achievements in the fields of civil rights, space science, intelligence, and defense.

In a memorandum addressed to the heads of all Federal Departments and Agencies, President Johnson said: "These individuals stand tall among the many men and women who serve their country and their fellow citizens with great distinction. They are the exceptional doers who, by selfless effort and brilliance of achievement, have made unique contributions to scientific progress, to the advancement of human rights, and to the strengthening of our national security."

This is the seventh group of career Government employees selected to receive the Award since it was established in 1957. Pinnacle of the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Program, it is granted annually by the President on the basis of recommendations of the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, comprised of: George W. Ball, Under Secretary of State (Chairman); Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General; W. Willard Wirtz, Secretary of Labor; Anthony J. Celebrezze, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; and Cyrus R. Vance, Deputy Secretary of Defense. The Executive Secretary is John W. Macy, Jr., Chairman of the United States Civil Service Commission.